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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

This document is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 8, 2007. Below please find a summary of the interview with the Examiner on July 31, 2007:

The undersigned attorney and Examiner Krause conducted a telephone interview on July 31, 2007 to discuss the rejections in the recent Official Action. The undersigned attorney discussed how the claimed invention was patentably different from the teachings of U.S. Patent 6,543,569 to Shimizu. No agreement was reached.

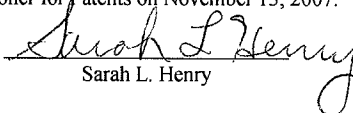
If a telephone interview could assist in the prosecution of this application, please call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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